

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 13-15 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as unpatentable over claims 8-9 and 11-14 of copending Application No. 10/753,082; and claim 12 has been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as unpatentable over claims 1-6, 8-9 and 11-13 of copending Application No. 10/753,082.

As no further issues remain in this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass either this or copending application 10/753,082 to allowance, per MPEP 804(I)(B). Upon allowance of either application, a terminal disclaimer will be filed in the remaining, pending application.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. **543822003100**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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